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NEWPORT NEWS, VA., FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 1910.

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## CRUSHED BENEATH WHEELS OF TRAILER

Conductor W. J. Porter Falls  
to Instant Death as Car  
Runs into Buckroe.

## WOMEN PASSENGERS WITNESSES OF TRAGEDY

Young Man Loses Balance While At-  
tempting to Adjust Trolley—Aged  
Father Comes From Norfolk at  
Midnight and Take Charge of Son's  
Body—Coroner's Inquest.

Daily Press Bureau,  
Hampton, Va., August 4.  
Falling from the rear rail of a  
motor car, Conductor W. J. Porter  
was crushed beneath the wheels of  
a trailer and instantly killed on the  
Newport News & Old Point Railway  
& Electric Company's line at Buck-  
roe Beach tonight at 9:15 o'clock.  
Several women sitting on the front  
seat of the trailer witnessed the hor-  
rible accident, and one of them faint-  
ed as the wheels passed over the un-  
fortunate young man's body.

The accident occurred just as car  
No. 72, with trailer No. 11, turned  
the curve around the big "figure-  
eight" going into Buckroe. The  
trolley had slipped off the wire and  
Porter was pulled at the rope in an  
attempt to adjust it. He lost his  
balance and fell, clinging frantically  
to the rope. The trolley spring of  
course offered little resistance to the  
man's weight, and he dropped to the  
ground, directly in front of the trailer  
wheels. The front truck passed  
over his body before the cars came  
to a standstill.

Scene of Confusion.  
A scene of almost indescribable  
confusion followed. Women scream-  
ed and cried and men ran to and  
fro trying to learn what had happen-  
ed. The motorman and several other  
men ran to the mangled body and  
dragged it from beneath the car. The  
conductor was beyond all mortal aid.  
The wheels had passed over his body,  
crushing the chest and breaking the  
spine.

Telephone messages brought  
Deputy Sheriff E. S. Curtis and Dr.  
G. K. Vanderslice to the scene. A  
coroner's jury was empaneled at  
once and the body was viewed. Then  
the inquest was adjourned over until  
this morning at 11 o'clock, and the  
corse given into the charge of an  
undertaker. On account of the con-  
fusion immediately after the tragedy  
it was impossible to handle the wit-  
nesses and Dr. Vanderslice decided  
not to attempt to proceed with the  
inquest at once.

Grief Stricken Father Here.  
Young Porter was 26 years old and  
unmarried. He had been in the em-  
ploy of the railway company for six  
months, and lived over the car barns.  
His father and mother live in Nor-  
folk, the father, J. L. Porter, being a  
conductor in the employ of the Nor-  
folk and Portsmouth Traction Com-  
pany.

The father was notified of his son's  
death by telephone, and he raced to  
Willoughby Spit on a special car in  
time to board the last boat for Old  
Point tonight. He came on to Hamp-  
ton, arriving at 12:45 o'clock and go-  
ing to the Augusta hotel for the night.  
Mr. Porter is 60 years old. He is  
terribly shocked and grieved. Ar-  
rangements will be made this  
morning for taking the dead young  
man's body to Norfolk.

The Jury.  
The members of the coroner's jury  
empaneled to inquire into the death  
are as follows:  
J. E. Hope, Harry Marrow, Frank  
Brown, Edgar Brinson, B. W. Cox  
and H. C. Alexandria.

Third Accident This Week.  
This is the third serious acci-  
dent to occur on the Buckroe line  
this week. Monday night Motorman  
H. S. Riley was fatally injured in a  
rear-end collision between Buckroe  
Beach and Old Point Comfort Col-  
lege, and Tuesday night Conductor  
Paullette was painfully hurt while  
throwing a switch on the line near  
Old Point Comfort College.

Conductor Porter was a genial,  
popular fellow. He was liked by the  
officials of the company, his fellow  
employees and the patrons of the line.  
It is said that he was known espe-  
cially for the courteous attention he  
gave women passengers.

Two More Die from Burns.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Aug. 4.—  
Two more children died tonight from  
vitality burns received last Tuesday  
when the fire department supply wa-  
gon upset and spilled the deadly fluid  
over eleven children who were riding  
at the request of the driver. The list  
of the dead now totals four and the  
remaining seven children are still suf-  
fering severely.

## SECRETARY BALLINGER AGAIN MAKES DENIAL

Writes Letter to Associated Press Re-  
lative to Reports of Being Asked  
to Resign.

(By Associated Press)  
ST. PAUL, MINN., Aug. 4.—Sec-  
retary of the Interior Ballinger, while  
enroute to Seattle, wrote the following  
letter to the Associated Press today:  
"Please say for me that the report  
to the effect that Senator Crane's vis-  
it to me had to do with the sugges-  
tion to me to resign is without founda-  
tion."

"Our conference did not, in the  
slightest degree, relate to myself or  
any matter affecting me."  
Very respectfully,  
"R. A. BALLINGER."

## STRIKE IS STILL ON.

Columbus Business Men Take Street  
Car Situation in Hand.

(By Associated Press)  
COLUMBUS, OHIO, Aug. 4.—As a  
result of the failure of Governor Har-  
mon's endeavors to settle the street  
car strike, retail merchants, whose  
business has been seriously affected,  
tonight are seeking to get before the  
disputants a basis of settlement.

Governor Harmon was deeply dis-  
appointed at his inability to induce  
the union and the Columbus Railway  
& Light Company to take as a basis  
of agreement the recent decision of  
the State board of arbitration. He de-  
clared the strike must end, as every  
man, woman and child in Columbus  
was being disadvantageously affected  
by it.

## GOSPEL CRUSADERS HERE.

Captain Layton Establishes Branch for  
Work in the City.

Captain W. H. Layton and his wife,  
the Gospel Crusaders, have arrived in  
the city and established a local  
branch of their organization at 219  
Twenty-fourth street. The organiza-  
tion is similar to the Salvation Army  
and does the same kind of work.

Captain and Mrs. Layton already  
have done good work for the poor  
during the short time since they ar-  
rived and they are planning to operate  
on a larger scale. The captain states  
that various families badly in need of  
clothing have been brought to his at-  
tention, and that charitably inclined  
persons who will send cast off gar-  
ments to him will be aiding a good  
cause. Old furniture can be used to  
advantage also, he says.

## Stolen Yacht Is Found.

(By Associated Press)  
NORFOLK, VA., Aug. 4.—The yacht  
Harrietta, heretofore reported stolen,  
was recovered today. The yacht was  
picked up in the harbor by the barge  
Maryland, Captain Cooke. It is be-  
lieved that the river pirates who stole  
the boat, became frightened and aban-  
doned her.

## CHARLTON DEMANDED

Italy Makes Formal Request for  
Accused Wife Murderer.

## JERSEY MUST ACT FIRST

Acting Secretary of State Receives  
Papers at Washington and Prompt-  
ly Returns Them to Italian Embas-  
sy in Massachusetts.

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 4.—  
What is assumed to be Italy's formal  
demand for the extradition of Porter  
Charlton, the young American in the  
Hudson county (N. J.) jail, charged  
with having killed his wife, Mary  
Scott Castle Charlton at Lake Como,  
Italy, reached the state department today. The papers  
came in a packet postmarked "Man-  
chester, Mass." They were not even  
opened. Acting Secretary of State  
Huntington Wilson knew that they  
bore upon the Charlton case.

That case has not reached the ju-  
risdiction of the department. There-  
fore the papers were returned to the  
Italian embassy, whence they came  
and which has its seat for the sum-  
mer on the Massachusetts coast.

Accompanying the packet upon its  
return and explanatory of the reason  
for the course taken by the depart-  
ment, was a note from Mr. Wilson sub-  
mitting that the case lay with the  
New Jersey court and that papers  
bearing upon it should be presented  
to the magistrate before whom the case  
was pending.

Not until action had been taken by  
the court will the case of Charlton  
reach the state department, when Sec-  
retary Knox may be called upon to  
pass on the question of extradition.

## GIVES MEN'S NAMES WHO OFFERED BRIBE

Senator Gore Tells His Story  
of Attempted Fraud in  
Indian Land Matter.

## VICE-PRESIDENT SHERMAN FIGURES IN THE SCANDAL

Blind Statesman of Upper House Tes-  
tifies Before Investigating Commit-  
tee of Charges Against Members of  
Congress and J. F. McMurray—Of-  
fered "Clean Hard Cash."

## ACCUSED MEN DENY CHARGES

BIG MOOSE, N. Y., Aug. 4.—  
Vice-President James S. Sher-  
man issued the following state-  
ment tonight concerning the  
charges made by Senator Gore,  
at Muskogee, today:

"The story that comes to me  
about the charges made by Sen-  
ator Gore, of Muskogee today, is  
absolutely without the slight-  
est shadow of foundation."

GUTHRIE, OKLA., Aug. 4.—  
Representative Byrd S. Mc-  
Guire, in a statement here this  
afternoon to the Associated  
Press, denied emphatically that  
he had now, or ever had had  
any interest in Indian contracts  
with McMurray or any one else.

TOPEKA, KAN., Aug. 4.—  
United States Senator Charles  
Curtis, when told today about  
the allegations made by Sen-  
ator Gore, at the Muskogee con-  
gressional inquiry into the In-  
dian attorney fee matter, in  
which his name was used as one  
of those interested in the Mc-  
Murray contracts, emphatically  
denied having any connection  
with the matter whatever.

(By Associated Press)  
MUSKOGEE, ALA., Aug. 4.—What  
happened in the private office of  
United States Senator Thomas P.  
Gore, at Washington, at noon last  
May sixth, formed the basis of sena-  
tional charges involving the names  
of Vice-President Sherman, Senator  
Charles Curtis, of Kansas, Con-  
gressman B. S. McGuire, of Oklahoma  
and others, in a hearing before a special  
congressional investigating com-  
mittee here today. During the 20 or  
40 minutes of a conference held in  
that office, Senator Gore testified that  
he had been approached by Jake L.  
Hamon, former chairman of the Okla-  
homa territorial Republican commit-  
tee and also former chairman of the  
Oklahoma state Republican commit-  
tee, and that he had been offered a  
bribe of \$25,000 or \$50,000 to remove  
certain legislation pending in con-  
gress so that \$3,000,000 might be paid  
to J. F. McMurray, an attorney at  
McAlester, Okla., and his associates.

The money was to represent "at-  
torneys' fees," or ten per cent of  
\$30,000,000, which was to be secured  
from a New York syndicate for  
450,000 acres of coal and asphalt  
lands now owned by the Choctaw and  
Chickasaw Indians in this state.

Vice-President Sherman's name  
was mentioned by Mr. Hamon, Sen-  
ator Gore testified, as being interested  
in the land deal to the extent of fa-  
voring the approval by congress of  
what are known as the McMurray  
contracts with the Indians.

Other Overtures Made.  
What happened in another private  
room in Washington and also where  
it was alleged Hamon made more  
"overtures" relative to the land deal,  
was told by Congressman C. E.  
Creager, of the Third Oklahoma dis-  
trict. Congressman Creager supple-  
mented the testimony of Senator  
Gore. He said on June 16, last, he  
had been invited by Hamon to meet  
him in a private room at the Occi-  
dental hotel, in Washington.

Having gone there, Mr. Creager  
testified, he was told he could have  
a substantial "interest" in the land  
deal if he would withdraw his opposi-  
tion to the approval of the McMur-  
ray contracts by congress.

Asked the question: "Were any  
figures mentioned as to how much  
you were to receive?" Mr. Creager  
replied: "No I did not let it be so  
and I made it plain I was not open  
to be influenced in the way."  
"I had already gone on record as be-  
ing firmly opposed to the granting of  
such an enormous fee for attorneys."

Recalled to the stand Senator Gore  
was asked to mention the name of  
the employee of the department of  
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Congressman B. B. McGuire, who is  
charged by Mr. Gore "being interest-  
ed" in the McMurray contract, was  
said by Mr. Creager, in his testimony  
that at the time of his visit an occu-  
pant of the same suite of rooms met  
him and McMurray at the hotel.

Clerks Testify.  
Clerks of Senator Gore testified to  
having been invited by McMurray  
and Hamon to "frog leg" suppers at  
Washington, at which the Indian con-  
tracts were to be talked over. These  
invitations, it was declared, were all  
"turned down."

On one occasion, one of the clerks  
testified, Hamon said Senator Gore  
was awfully hard on his friends.  
Senator Gore, in his testimony, asser-  
ted that the offer of bribery was so  
far that Hamon said, the \$25,000 or  
\$50,000 would not be paid over in the  
form of a check or marked money  
but that "it would be all clean, hard  
cash."

The committee that heard the  
charges was appointed by resolution  
of the house of representatives to in-  
vestigate the McMurray contracts  
which are declared to have been  
made by McMurray individually with  
ten thousand Indians, each of whom  
agreed to turn over ten per cent of  
his profits from the sale of land,  
provided the contracts were approved  
by congress.

The Committee.  
The committee, headed by Con-  
gressman Charles H. Burke, of South  
Dakota, chairman, is composed of  
Congressmen Philip P. Campbell, of  
Kansas; Charles B. Miller, of Min-  
nesota; John H. Stephens, of Texas,  
and E. W. Saunders, of Virginia.

"Its initial session was held today.  
Congressman Creager's appearance  
on the witness stand followed a series  
of sensational statements. Among  
Senator Gore's assertions were the  
following: That Hamon told him that  
a man 'higher up' in the government  
was interested in the approval of  
the contracts and therefore there was  
no reason why Senator Gore should  
not be, and when asked who the man  
was, Hamon replied: Vice-  
President Sherman."

An account of that part of Senator  
Gore's testimony referring to Vice-  
President Sherman follows:

His Reference to Sherman.  
Mr. Burke—In your conversation  
with Mr. Hamon you stated he named  
a very high official that he said was  
interested in these contracts. You  
omitted his name.

Mr. Gore—I say again that I should  
very much prefer not to name it. I  
am, however, subject to the will of  
the committee.

Mr. Burke—The committee is here  
to get the facts and we must have  
all this conversation.

Mr. Gore—He suggested that Vice-  
President Sherman was interested in  
the contracts.

Thomas Wood, counsel for Mr.  
Gore—in that connection you spoke  
of an article appearing in a Kansas  
City newspaper that two gentlemen  
had called on the President. I wish  
you would say who was mentioned in  
that article.

Mr. Gore—In the newspaper of  
April 14, Vice-President Sherman and  
Senator Curtis were named as having  
called to discuss the segregated coal  
and asphalt lands. I think before  
the senate met the next day the in-  
formation came to me.

Senator Gore explained that he be-  
lieved Vice-President Sherman was  
favorable to contracts and a short  
time later he introduced a resolu-  
tion in the senate that would require  
further action of congress before the  
contracts would be approved.

Creager Testifies.

Asked if he had ever met Hamon,  
Congressman Creager replied:  
"Yes, I met him by appointment at  
his rooms at the Occidental hotel in  
Washington. He invited me there,  
saying he wanted to talk over a little  
matter."

"At that time efforts were being  
made to have the President's approval  
of the McMurray contracts. I  
already had gone on record as being  
opposed to their approval. Well,  
when I got to the hotel and was sit-  
ting in a room with Hamon, he be-  
gan to urge me to work with his op-  
position. He said I might have an  
interest in the contracts."

Congressman Miller—Were any fig-  
ures mentioned. Did he say how much  
interest you might have?

Mr. Creager—No, I did not let it  
go as far as that. I made my lan-  
guage pretty emphatic that I was op-  
posed to the contracts and would not  
be influenced.

Congressman Stephens—You mean  
to say that you regarded the offer  
of such character as to arouse your  
indignation?

Mr. Creager—Yes. That's it. I re-  
garded it as an offer to influence my  
attitude toward the contracts. It  
was even suggested that I call to-  
gether all the officials I could and de-  
feat the measure, opposing the ap-  
proval of the bills.

Congressman Miller—What kind of  
rooms did Mr. Hamon and Mr. Mc-  
Murray have at the hotel?

Mr. Creager—Oh, three or four  
front rooms. Representative Mc-  
Guire, of Oklahoma, occupied one  
room. I met Hamon later at differ-  
ent times. When he heard I was  
coming to testify before this commit-  
tee he urged me not to. He expressed  
the hope that I would make no  
statement before this committee.

Refuses to Give Name.  
Recalled to the stand Senator Gore  
was asked to mention the name of  
the employee of the department of

## DEFEAT IS PORTION OF PATTERSON MEN

Tennessee is Swept by Inde-  
pendents in Election of  
State Judges.

## SAID TO BE LARGEST VOTE EVER RECORDED

Regular Democratic Candidates, Who  
Have Support of the Governor, Are  
Badly Beaten and Mountain Repub-  
licans Rally to Cause of Opposition  
—Bitter Campaign Ends.

(By Associated Press)  
MEMPHIS, TENN., Aug. 4.—That  
the independent judiciary ticket swept  
Tennessee in today's election, defeat-  
ing the candidates for whom Gov-  
ernor M. R. Patterson stamped the  
state, is indicated by the returns re-  
ceived tonight.

Scattering returns from many parts  
of the state showed that the Repub-  
licans voted in force for the inde-  
pendents in the mountain regions. The  
big middle Tennessee counties did not  
poll the votes expected by the regu-  
lars, and in west Tennessee the in-  
dependents appear to have held their  
own. The count is slow and no final  
figures are available.

Large Vote Polled.  
The vote is said to be one of the  
largest ever recorded in the state.

In addition to the election of a Su-  
preme Court and Court of Appeals,  
judges of inferior courts were chosen  
and congressional primaries in four  
districts, were held. The campaign  
was one of the bitterest ever waged,  
interest centered in the Supreme  
Court race.

In the Democratic congressional pri-  
maries, indications are that Con-  
gressmen Lemuel Padgett, in the Seventh  
district; T. W. Sims in the Eighth;  
Garrett in the Ninth, and George W.  
Gordon in the Tenth, were nominated  
for reelection.

Personal Encounters.  
No trouble of a serious nature oc-  
curred anywhere in the state, accord-  
ing to present reports. In Nashville  
city Attorney A. G. Wing, Jr., and J.  
W. Weaver, an officer of election,  
came to blows over the right of a Re-  
publican to vote, but they were separated  
before either was hurt. Both were  
arrested. At Morristown Sheriff Car-  
rigan, of Hamblen county, was charged  
with depositing money with the trust-  
ee with an order to issue poll tax re-  
ceipts to a number of applicants. War-  
rants were sworn out against him.

Scrima, Rutherford county, was the  
scene of a clash between Robert Mor-  
ton and two Taylors, father and son,  
in which all three suffered knife  
wounds. It is thought that none is  
wounded seriously.

Fraud is Charged.  
The independent leaders here claim  
that the majority will approximate  
40,000 votes. The regular Democrats  
claim that the figures will be down  
15,000 votes and the leaders allege  
fraud in many places. They also  
charge that they were denied rep-  
resentation at the polls by the election  
commissioner, dominated by the in-  
dependent faction.

## DOESN'T SEE MUCH HOPE FOR REGULARS

Owner of Kansas City Star  
"Drops in" on President  
Taft.

(By Associated Press)  
BEVERLY, MASS., Aug. 4.—Colonel  
William R. Nelson, owner of the  
Kansas City Star, "dropped in" on  
President Taft at Burgess Point this  
afternoon. On his way out to the  
President's cottage the colonel said  
he was not going to talk politics if  
he could help himself.

Subsequently reports indicated,  
however, that a hearty exchange of  
greetings was quickly followed by an  
earnest discussion of recent events  
in the political world.

President Taft and "Old Bill" Nel-  
son, as he familiarly refers to the  
Missouri editor, have been friends  
for a long period of time.

"What about the results in Kan-  
sas?" was the opening chorus from  
the newspaper group.

"Oh, laughed the colonel, 'my  
heart is not broken.' 'And Iowa?'"

"Well, I am messaging to bear up  
under that pretty well, too."

"What do you think of the possi-

bility of the next house of represen-  
tatives being Democratic?"

"It looks as though it would either  
be Democratic or insurgent. At  
any rate you can bet it will be anti-  
Cannon."

"Kansas," added the colonel, "is  
filled with men who either made the  
state, or the sons of men who made  
it. They think progressively out  
there and they act progressively. Peo-  
ple in the east don't understand  
Kansas."

"Many Republicans," continued  
Colonel Nelson, "seem to think that  
the Republican party is made up of  
a majority of the voters of this coun-  
try. In that they are wrong, the  
Democrats have never put up a can-  
didate for President who ought to  
have won, that did not win. Take  
Cleveland and Tilden for example."  
"All this does not mean that you  
are going to support Judson Harmon,  
does it?" queried a venturesome rep-  
orter.

"Not against Theodore Roosevelt."

## LEAPS FROM TRAIN AND ESCAPES THE DETECTIVE

Alleged Deserter from Navy Gives  
Officer Slip Returning from New  
Orleans to Norfolk.

(By Associated Press)  
NEW ORLEANS, LA., Aug. 4.—  
Within 100 miles of his destination,  
Arthur F. Allen, an alleged deserter  
of the United States navy, today gave  
the slip to Detective Edward Holy  
and leaped from the train on to the  
officers and prisoner were making  
their trip from New Orleans to the  
navy yard at Norfolk, Va.

Allen came to New Orleans as a  
member of the crew of the converted  
yacht Hornet. He said he wanted  
to see some active service in Nic-  
aragua, but the federal officers charged  
that his period of enlistment called  
for further service in the United  
States navy.

## PROFESSOR ELOPES TO WED.

Marriage of Prominent Virginia  
Couple Occurs at Bristol.

BRISTOL, TENN., Aug. 4.—Prof.  
G. C. Rider, of the faculty of the  
University of Virginia, eloped to Bris-  
tol today with Miss Wooding, of  
Pittsylvania county, and was married  
by Rev. J. M. Shelburne, pastor of the  
First Baptist church, at the home  
of W. E. Kable, president of the  
Appalachian Insurance Company and  
a friend of the groom.

Prof. Rider is a well-known Vir-  
ginia educator, while the bride is a  
member of a prominent Virginia fam-  
ily.

## Pythians Elect Officers.

(By Associated Press)  
MILWAUKEE, WIS., Aug. 4.—Two  
events today occupied the attention  
of the Knights of Pythias grand en-  
campment and supreme lodge conven-  
tion—the election of officers and the  
competitive drill, out at Camp Henry  
Parrish Brown.

Vice Chancellor George M. Hanson,  
of Maine, was elected to the supreme  
chancellorship.

## JOHN D. MUST ANSWER

Rockefeller Summoned to Face  
Damage Suit.

## DEPUTY SERVES PAPERS

Complaint is Made Against Standard  
Oil Company for Monopolizing Busi-  
ness and the Amount of \$550,000  
is Asked.

## GOVERNOR MANN SUED.

J. H. Farmer Brings Action to Re-  
cover \$10,000.  
RICHMOND, VA., Aug. 4.—Suit for  
\$10,000 against Governor Mann was  
inaugurated in the Law and Equity  
Court of Richmond today by John H.  
Farmer, of Burkeville. No declaration  
was filed in the case, but Attorney  
William L. Royall, representing the  
plaintiff, said it would be within the  
next week.

The suit has been expected by Gov-  
ernor Mann for a week. Mr. Royall  
having informed him personally that  
his client would seek to recover.

Arrested in Norfolk.  
(By Associated Press)  
NORFOLK, VA., Aug. 4.—Martin  
White, a negro, formerly employed  
by the LaFontaine Hotel, at Atlantic  
City, N. J., was arrested here today  
on the charge of stealing silver from  
the hotel. White was endeavoring to  
dispose of some of the silverware  
when he was taken into custody.

Stand-patter Nominated.  
(By Associated Press)  
ST. LOUIS, MO., Aug. 4.—The  
nomination of Congressman Charles  
A. Crow, stand-patter by the Republi-  
cans of the Fourteenth Missouri dis-  
trict, was assured by late returns to-  
night. David W. Hill, insurgent can-  
didate, admits his defeat.

## GIRL IS STILL TRUE TO DOCTOR CRIPPEN

Miss Leneve Will Not Turn  
Against the Accused Wife  
Murderer.

## REFUSES TO ACCEPT SERVICES OF LAWYER

Quebec Attorney Offers Her Defense  
and the Woman Declines and Says  
She Will Carry Out Fight With the  
Dentist—English Friends Will Send  
Money to Alleged Slayer of Actress.

(By Associated Press)  
QUEBEC, AUG. 4.—Those myster-  
ious London friends of Dr. Hawley  
Crippen, who have already  
retained counsel to defend him on a  
charge of wife murder, proffered fur-  
ther assistance by cable today. Two  
messages were delivered to the den-  
tist in his cell. The first asked if he  
needed funds; the second inquired  
about the rumors circulated abroad,  
as well as in this country, to the ef-  
fect that he had confessed.

Crippen Makes Reply.  
Crippen replied by cable that he  
would appreciate some money and he  
reassured his friends that he had  
made no admission that would hurt  
his case. The wording of neither the  
messages or of Crippen's reply was  
made public nor were the names sig-  
ned to those from London obtainable.  
It is supposed, however, that the let-  
ter was from Arthur Newton, the Lon-  
don solicitor, who recently informed  
Crippen that he had friends who  
would defend him and pay for an at-  
torney.

Girl Refuses Offer.  
It was said that a local attorney,  
whose name the authorities declined  
to divulge, sent word today to Miss  
Leneve, offering to represent her in  
any legal proceedings she might care  
to undertake. Although this attorney  
claimed he had been retained by the  
girl's family in England, she declined  
to accept his services. In her answer,  
the young typist showed that the fifty-  
year-old dentist, with fishy eyes, still  
exerts a stronger influence over her  
than her own relatives.

She sent back word that her case  
was Dr. Crippen's and that she would  
return to England to make her fight  
with him and she has let fall no word  
likely to incriminate the man for whom  
she cut off her beautiful light brown  
hair, put on boy's clothing and fled  
from England.

Premier Gounin said this afternoon,  
without qualification, that Dr. Crippen  
had made no confession.

## BELIEVE GUN UNLOADED.

While Playing Small North Carolina  
Boy Kills Sister.

(By Associated Press)  
WILMINGTON, N. C., Aug. 4.—Bel-  
ieving that it was unloaded, the six-  
year-old son of County Commissioner  
I. D. Harrison, of Fenton, N. C.,  
while playing with three other chil-  
dren in his father's home late today,  
picked up a shot